帝国兄弟　2

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エミール・シュトライザー

ロベルトの勘違いの弟（16才）で、帝国近衛隊副隊長。兄上大好きの超ブラコン。

ロベルト・シュトライザー

帝国近衛隊隊長。才色兼備の17才。弟のエミールが可愛くて仕方がなく、傷つけられると人格が変わる。

帝国兄弟

近衛隊のロベルトとエミールは、帝国きっての美形兄弟で女性達の憧れの的。実はこの2人、最近知り合ったばかりで、まだまだ初々しい兄弟っぷり♡
そんな兄弟の日常は、宿敵(!?)である警備団に手伝いに行かされたり、恋人と勘違いしたロベルトの旧友にエミールが殺されかけたり、はたまた変態絵描きに追いかけ回されたり、厄介事が大好きな皇帝陛下のせいで常に刺激いっぱいで!?

詳しくは「帝国兄弟①」を読んでね♪

◀皇帝陛下
16才。好きなように生き、好きなように死ぬ皇帝道を突っ走る。

◀クロステルド夫人
エミールの元恋人。腐屋が大嫌いで、トラブルを好む皇帝陛下とは同好の志。

こんにちは！ 舵です。
「帝国兄弟」②巻も出てしまいました。なんとぅことでしょうか！
思えば 高校の授業中にしたらくがき（こら！）がコミックスになるなんて!! いや〜〜 世の中わからんもんですね。ありがたやありがたや。
全ては読んでくださる アナタのおかげ！ 本当にありがとうございます!!
とりあえず今回はキャラ紹介というか キャラ設定の説明というか いい訳しようかと。 ←つーか①巻で やれよって感じですが。いや〜 すっかり忘れてましたよ。あはは〜〜

下の絵は友人リクエスト。「ちっこい ロベルトとエミールが セーラーカラーの服着て砂遊び。」です。自分 ショタコンではないつもりでしたが 描いてて けっこう楽しかったです♪ ヤバイ？ いや！子どもは好きなんですが！変なイミで なく!! よく本屋とかうろうろしてると ちーさい子に じ〜っと見られます。かわいーなーと思って にやりと笑（本人はにっこり笑ったつもり）手を振ったり。あ〜 連れて帰りたい とか思っちゃったり。はっ 本当に連れてったりしませんよ!? たぶん （自信なさげ）ああ どんどん 事案人物になっていく。新聞に載らないよう 十分気をつけます。

帝国兄弟
ていこくきょうだい

He was always reading alone by the window
Because of his beautiful features
I didn't dare call out
and only secretly watched him from afar

This is the story of...
A certain pair of brothers in a certain empire
Fired up!
The ball is coming soon!
Hey, it's the ball, the ball!
King (18)
YOU SEEM TO BE IN A GOOD MOOD, YOUR HIGHNESS
THAT'S RIGHT
Vice-captain of the Royal Guard Emile Streisser (16)
Captain of the Royal Guard Robert Streisser (17)

Heh heh
WHEN DANCING OF COURSE A PARTNER IS ESSENTIAL
EMILE, THIS IS THE FIRST YEAR YOU'RE ATTENDING SO YOU PROBABLY DON'T KNOW
People dance at balls, right?
WELL YES THEY DO
But, Emile
He he he!
Last year, there was a stampede of girls asking to be Robert's partner!
It was an all out riot!
Usually the guy asks the girl you know!
oh my gosh
Ah Robert! Hey! come back!
Yeah..
WAH I CAN REALLY IMAGINE IT
sneak
This year you're attending too!
He he
I'm so looking forward to it ♡
SO WHAT ENDED UP HAPPENING?
HE DANCED WITH ME!
Tra la la la la
IS— IS THAT SO—
I can picture that too
Robert, if you don't hurry and find a good dance partner,
you're going to be mobbed this time too!
Ah
shock
*refer to ch.

Special technique, cushion Hell!
whoosh
whoosh
thump!
thump
(wall)
Okay
EMILE LET'S GO!
Help me.
OKAY ♡
switch
switch
It was basically a very bloody affair
I don't want to remember it.
ha ha
IT SOUNDS LIKE IT WAS PRETTY TERRIBLE
REALLY, HIS HIGHNESS..
JUST SAYS WHATEVER HE LIKES!
stomp
Ahhhhhhhhh...
Robert
Wahhh..
Robert
yes!
You need to be careful too.
Was it really that bad?
A bloody affair...?
stomp
stomp
That ball

THE ROYAL GUARD WILL SECURE THE AREA,
SO WE'LL BE VERY BUSY!
YES!
In this thing we call a ball
The main attraction is dances like the waltz
When a girl and a guy pair up and dance the night away
FIRST LET'S GO TO THE LIBRARY AND BORROW THE RECORDS FOR LAST YEAR'S BALL
YES!
Use it as a model
creak
PALACE LIBRARY

WOW
This is my first time here
THE BOOK COLLECTION HERE IS AMAZING!
THIS PLACE KEEPS ALL THE BOOKS AND RECORDS IN THE KINGDOM.
RAUMAN-SENSEI!
UM
Glance
AH! IT'S HERE!

RAUMAN-SENSEI!
Oh, Robert
It's been a while!
you're looking beautiful as always ♥
WHO'S THAT TALL ONE BEHIND YOU?
YES IT HAS Beau-tiful
EMILE, THIS IS THE HEAD LIBRARIAN OF THE ROYAL LIBRARY, RAUMAN-SENSEI
MY YOUNGER BROTHER, EMILE
A PLEA-SURE TO MEET YOU
Ha ha ha, you are also very beautiful!
WAIT, YOU HAVE A YOUNGER BROTHER?
How...
scratch scratch
Odd?
I FOUND OUT ABOUT HIM A FEW YEARS AGO
OH, SO HE'S AN ILLEGITIMATE CHILD
Ha ha ha!
WELL, I SUPPOSE
Ha ha ha!
Wow
So direct.
P!

My
My god!
Robert's actually right before my very eyes!
Are you still taking care of the library by yourself?
No, now I have a granddaughter helping
It's the man I've longed for...
That's right! Why are you here today?
Thank you Lord!
He's become even more handsome...
Is he part of the royal guard now?
It's been 3 years, 2 months and 17 days since I've seen him...
Great memory
THE RECORDS FROM LAST YEAR'S BALL?
I WANT TO BORROW THEM FOR A BIT...

Wah!
grand-father!
carlua, where are you?
MY GRAND-DAUGHTER KNOWS MORE ABOUT THE RECENT INFORMATION.
scratch scratch
LET ME THINK WHERE IS IT?
OH YES!
CARLUA, GO GET THE RECORDS FROM LAST YEAR'S BALL FOR ME
yes
whisper
nice to meet you
whisper
THIS IS MY GRAND-DAUGHTER CARLUA.
SHE'S A LITTLE INTROVERTED AND SHY ♡
ha ha ha
shiver shiver shiver
yes
Gloom.
DID YOU CALL FOR ME, GRAND-FATHER?
whisper
what so you were over there?
shock

TH... THANK YOU.
shiver
Here
Here you go
shiver
shiver
BUT WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITH THE RECORDS?
It's impossible for me to even go,
let alone Br. Robert's dance partner
We won't be going then
LADY CARLUA, WE WELCOME YOUR ATTENDANCE AT THE BALL
WE'D LIKE TO USE IT AS A MODEL FOR THE PREPARATIONS FOR THIS YEAR'S BALL
OH, I SEE
The ball
Ah!
fall
Carlua, pull yourself together
That's right, Carlua...

WHAT'S WRONG?
Frint-her?
Huh?
I'M GETTING CHILLS
I think?
shiver shiver
I'll do my best to ask Robert to the ball!
I'll do it! I'll just try and do it!
5 days before the dinner
chatter
chatter
PUT SO CHAIRS AGAINST THAT WALL!
YES!
here!
Alright!
※It is difficult to work with a coat on so everyone took theirs off

CAPTAIN ROBERT, ISN'T IT ABOUT TIME TO REST?
YEAH
No way ...
Ah
Captain Robert
So cool ♡
In this awkward place.
If I reach out my hand it looks like I can touch him
Like this
Oh no Don't go over there Robert!
wah!
!?
slip
water
ah...
roll
Push
clang
splash
water

Bro—
ther!
THUD
chatter
chatter
chatter
ARE YOU AL-RIGHT?
I— I'M FINE
THANK YOU
That scared me
SEEMS LIKE THE WATER SPILLED
water
OH YEAH, THAT'S DANGER-OUS
What to do!
What should I do?
stumped
What should I do!?
yun

dash~
I've already decided I would fight to the end!
I will be rel~ra~
No!
gulp
I can't believe it turned out like this!
I wonder if it's better for me to give up...
whoosh
4 days til the ball
But like this, her hard work...
Came to nothing.
eep!
Again and again she unintentionally endangered Robert
A curtain (70kg) fell on him
3 days til the ball
Wah!
stagger
A vase fell right behind him.
And finally...
2 days til the ball
A gigantic wall partition falling.

Worn Out
The day before the party...
What exactly did I do?!
One thing after another just keeps falling!
Or are all these just accidents?!
Does someone have a grudge against me?!
What's been going on these last few days?!
The day before the ball has already come.
This is bad
Today's my last chance
I am so lucky
He's here by himself
Now I have a chance to really talk to him
Ho ho ho
hasn't learned
sh, fr
Just in case, he went to the second level.
He seems to be giving orders from here
THERE'S NO WAY SOMETHING CAN FALL NOW.
Hahaha...
chatter chatter

EMILE!
MADAM CROSTELD!
yes!
WHAT IS IT?
I HAVE SOMETHING TO ASK OF YOU
DID YOU DECIDE ON A DANCE PARTNER YET?
NO
OH, I'M SO GLAD! THEN, WOULD YOU GO WITH ME?
WHAT ABOUT YOUR HUSBAND?
HE'S SICK IN BED
IS THAT SO?
THEN I DON'T MIND
thank you♥
BY THE WAY, WHERE'S YOUR BROTHER?
OH, HE IS
OH HE'S UP THERE
CAPTAIN ROBERT!!

WE'RE MOSTLY FINISHED WITH THE PREPARATIONS
MADAM CROSTELO?
EMILE!
Ah... He's so close.
YEAH!
CAN I LET EVERYONE LEAVE?
Seems like they're done.
Okay! I'm going to do it!
OH, YEAH
Call
Ok, call his name!
thud
Huh?
nothing is there.

!!!!
Wh-
Why?
Bro—
ther!
Emile!

silence
grab
swump
thud
ow
ARE

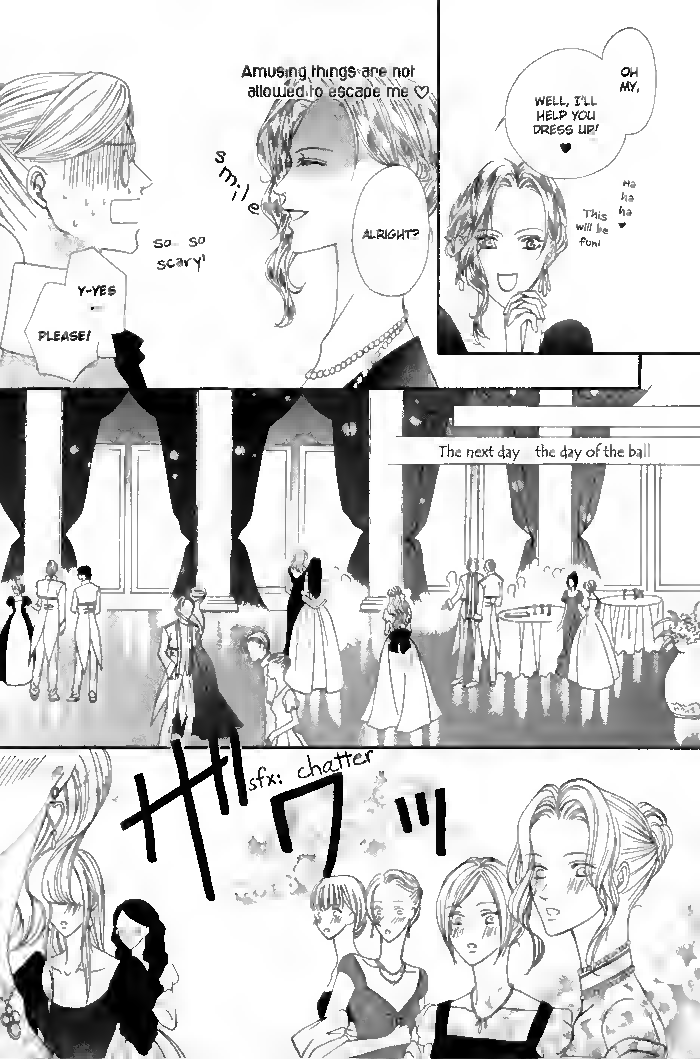
EMILE!
EMILE!
rouse
!
!!!
great
ARE YOU TWO...
OKAY!?
turn
BRO-THER?
HUH?
rustle
DID YOU HIT YOUR HEAD!?
I'M OKAY.
Just got a bump on my head.

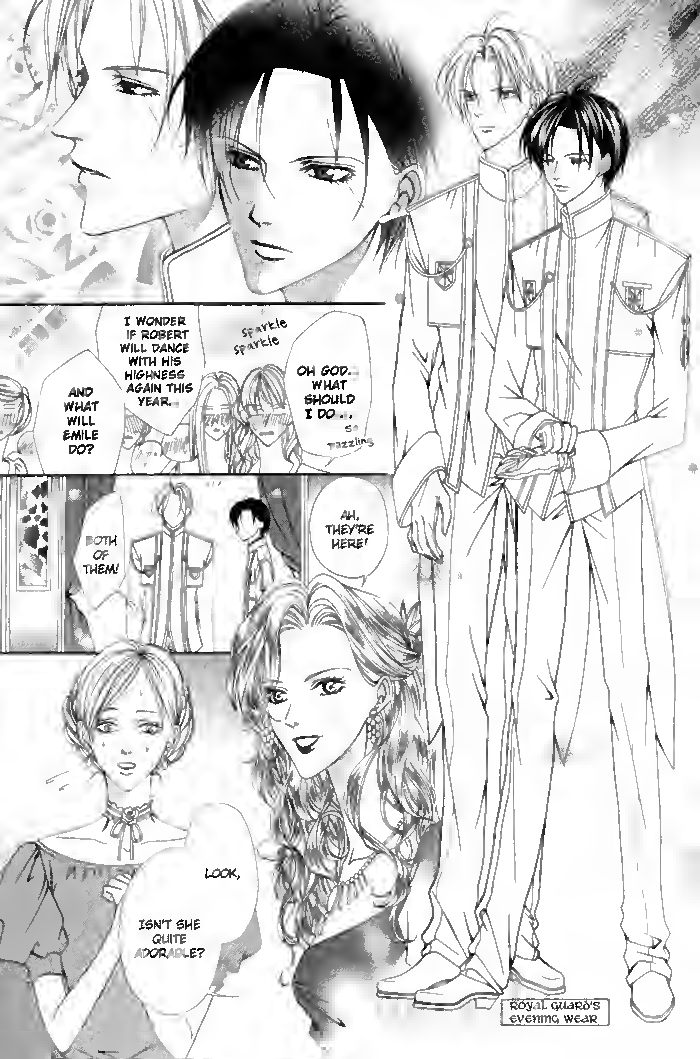
BROTHER, ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
YOU IDIOT
OF COURSE I'M FINE!
JUST NOW, IT WAS YOU THAT PROTECTED ME!
I'M SO RELIEVED
I'm the one who s relieved
I thought my heart was going to stop!
If you had stayed like that not opening your eyes I wouldn t know what to do

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU CAUGHT A PERSON THAT FELL FROM THE SECOND FLOOR!
Really
MADAM CROSTELD
NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT BROTHER,
HOW DID YOU FALL?
I WAS PUSHED
FROM BEHIND
WHAT!?

Caught you..
!!
LADY CAR-LUA!?
grab

Wah...
I'M SORRY, I'M SORRY!
YOU'VE GOT IT ALL WRONG!
LADY CARLLIA!
WHY DID YOU...
I...
I'VE BEEN INTERESTED IN YOU FOR LONG TIME.
BUT, I COULDN'T EVEN TALK TO YOU...
NOT LONG AFTER, I STOPPED BEING ABLE TO SEE YOU.
THEN, I WAS ABLE TO SEE YOU AGAIN IN THE LIBRARY A FEW DAYS AGO
THIS TIME I GATHERED ALL MY COURAGE TO TALK TO YOU.
I WANTED YOU TO GO WITH ME TO THE BALL TOMORROW.
BUT... BUT, WHEN I TRIED TO TALK TO YOU,
UNBELIEVABLE THINGS KEPT HAPPENING...
sob
LET'S GO TO THE BALL TOGETHER TOMORROW
WHAT...?
I WAS EVEN PLANNING TO APOLOGIZE TODAY...
I HAVE ABSOLUTELY NO ILL INTENTIONS TOWARD YOU!
Hey, hey
Please forgive me
LADY CARLLIA
Oh that was it


Amusing things are not allowed to escape me ♡
smile
So... so scary!
Y-YES
PLEASE!
ALRIGHT?
OH MY,
WELL, I'LL HELP YOU DRESS UP! ♥
Ha ha ha ♥
This will be fun!
The next day... the day of the ball
sfx: chatter


I WONDER IF ROBERT WILL DANCE WITH HIS HIGHNESS AGAIN THIS YEAR...
Sparkle Sparkle
OH GOD... WHAT SHOULD I DO...
so dazzling
AND WHAT WILL EMILE DO?
AH, THEY'RE HERE!
BOTH OF THEM!
LOOK,
ISN'T SHE QUITE ADORABLE?

his inclination at one moment
OH
FOUND ROBERT
Spying
SHE'S COMPLETELY DIFFERENT
That's madam C. Stand for you
Huh
satisfied
SHALL WE GO?
MISS CARLLIA,
shift
slush
OK
THE BALL'S STARTING
Alright
Let's dance too
That...

That girl...
She must be sacrificed!
Huh?
※ Robert's many fans
What to do...
I'm holding Robert's hand!
His other hand is on my waist!
And...
So close... His face!
S/o/s/h
Um Captain Robert
YES?
Oh, it ended...

Really... thank you so very much for today
OH
OK, I UNDER-STAND!
Thank you very much for today
Gobble
Is she okay?
glare
Ah!
The eyesore's disappeare...
I... my heart is almost done for, so please allow me to leave first.
thum thum
Danger signal

...HUH?
BRO-THER'S NOT HERE.
Lady Carlia as well
His Highness who saw everything.
ha ha he he he
Amuse!
Ah!
Darn, he ran away!
Dash
Wah...

EMILE
FOR YOU
THANKS
SIGH
WHAT HAPPENED TO LADY CARLUA?
SHE SAID...
SHE DIDN'T FEEL WELL, AND LEFT FIRST
I see.
AT LEAST THERE WAS NO BLOODY AFFAIR THIS YEAR
rustle
YEAH
I TRIED MY HARDEST TO AVOID TALKING TO THE GIRLS.
To not give them a chance to ask me to dance.
except for Lady Carlua.
OH YEAH,
IS YOUR HEAD OK?
IT'S FINE
I'm like wow.

SERIOUSLY, WHY DO I HAVE TO GO THROUGH THIS EVERY YEAR?
every day is already troublesome
mutter mutter
ha ha
I WONDER WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN NEXT YEAR.
gloom
oh yeah..
WHAT SHOULD I DO NEXT YEAR?
SHALL I DANCE WITH YOU NEXT TIME?
Maybe I'll take you up on that.
Later
Emile's fans already know not to go against Madam Crosteld.
Robert's fans got together to catch the sacrifice
Here
But couldn't find their target, no matter where they looked...
CAPTAIN ROBERT
THIS WILL BE THE MOST CHERISHED MEMORY OF MY LIFE ♡
I'm so lucky!
Kya~
We can't find that girl!

まずロベルト。シュトライザー家の長男で近衛隊の隊長です。ちょー堅物でど真面目人間という設定のはずがなんかちょっと違うような。異性に対する奥ゆかしさとか恥ずかしがりが思春期の乙女のような。ただのオクテくん？
あと身長を174cmにしたトコロ読者さんから意外と高くて驚いたとのお声が。そうですか？一応白人さんという設定なんで普通よりちょい低めということで。日本人の平均ぐらい。

そしてエミール。ロベルトの異母弟で近衛隊の副隊長。彼も初期設定の自由奔放な遊び人というよりもダダのプラコン。
全然違うじゃんかよ――。あれ？遊び人っていうか来る者拒まずみたいな？自由奔放ってよりも楽天家みたいな!?
身長が167cmというのはエミールというキャラを作る時に最初に決めました。
とにかくデカイ16才にしたかったのです。
外見は兄と弟が逆転してるという。

帝国兄弟
ていこくきょうだい

陛下とクロステルト夫人。この2人読者さんにもなかなか好評のようです。
私も気に入ってます。だって この人たちは設定通りなんですもの―。
陛下はほんとトラブル メーカーの役割です。唯我独尊というか我が道を行くというか。ロベルトが1番の お気に入り。2番目がエミール。18才の若き皇帝。
―人称を決めるのに悩みましたねぇ～。「余」とか!? いや なんか仁合わん。
では「朕」!? 中国皇帝じゃねーんだから。
…つーわけで 悩みに悩んで「オレ」に決定。
エミールが「俺」なんで もうちょっと軽い感じにしようとカタカナに。
クロステルド夫人は エミールの元 愛人。
友人たちに一番人気あります。なんか 男ばっかの帝国に咲く一輪の花!?ってわけでもないような―。なんだそりゃ―
きっと泣かした男は数知れず。年齢不詳。旦那不詳。貴族であることは間違いないけどどんな家柄の女性なのか。
色気はあるけど 妻はない人物にしたかったんですが。どうですか?
あ 陛下は茶金の髪に青緑の眼で 夫人は ど金髪に緑の眼です。
ロベルトは黒髪で エミールはイメージ的にはヘーゼルっぽい髪のつもり―。眼は2人ともブルーグレイ。(渡辺ゆずり)

この2人が恋人同士になる予定は ありません。
男女の友情―とゆうか。

私たち おもしろいことに目がないの仲間。

初めてカラーを描いた時「2人は眼の色一緒なんて すげぇ」っていってくれた読者さんがいらっしゃいました。
気付いてくれてありがとうございます!! ☆ うれしかったなぁ～

This is the story of... A certain pair of brothers in a certain empire
AH,
ROBERT, EMILE SOMEONE'S REQUESTED YOU TWO
IT SAYS THEY'D LIKE YOU TO GET RID OF SOME THIEVES
His Highness (18)
TO GET RID OF SOME THIEVES?
THEY ASKED FOR US?
my name?
Vice-Captain of the Royal Guard
Emile Streisser (16)
AND, IT'S FROM THAT DUKE BIRUGAN
Captain of the Royal Guard
Robert Streisser (17)
Bliss

Duke Brugan
DUKE BRUGAN?
No,
It's your imagination, your imagination. ♡
Wah!
"YOU LOOK LIKE YOU'RE ENJOYING THIS."
"Duke is the highest title of the noble class."
And Duke Brugan is from one of the four most powerful Duke families.
IN THE EMPIRE, THE BRUGAN FAMILY HAS POWER THAT'S ONLY SECOND TO THAT OF THE EMPEROR.
HE'S AN INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT NOBLE
THE HEAD OF THE FAMILY TODAY IS ALFRED BRUGAN.
WHO TOOK THE POSITION 8 YEARS AGO AT AGE 19
UP UNTIL NOW, HE'S SEEMED LIKE A CAPABLE MAN WHEN GOVERNING THE LAND AND PEOPLE.
BROTHER, YOU HAVEN'T MET HIM?
NO.
It's not just that!

AH
and a sadist that loves to bully others! A sadist!
That guy is nonchalant, underhanded, sarcastic,
He's the worst, most unbelievable bastard!
HA HAHA!
cold-blooded,
ROAR
!!
※ His Highness Impression

There's no way that we can get rid of a Duke!
Go get rid of that damn Duke!
SO WHAT I'M SAYING IS...
TOMOR-ROW...
PAUSE
Yes, that's it exactly.
can't deny it.
Uhm...
I feel like this is turning into a difficult situation.
Is it just my imagination?

The Brugan Household
The next day
AH, YOU'VE COME
WELCOME
HE'S DIFFERENT FROM WHAT I IMAGINED
more reptilian
AH...
Duke Alfred Brugan (27)

I'M THE YOUNGER BROTHER EMILE STREISSER.
I AM THE OLDER BROTHER ROBERT STREISSER.
YOU TWO, ARE BROTHERS, YES?
AH, YES.
I
NEVER MIND, LET'S GO STRAIGHT INTO THE MAIN TOPIC!
AH, WAIT
DUKE BRUGAN!
I KNEW YOU WERE GOING TO SAY THAT
It's still annoying to hear it
I'M THE CAPTAIN
YOU'RE THE CAPTAIN?
AND I THOUGHT IT WAS HIM

A RING?
what?
OR, IT SHOULD BE
THE RING THAT PROVES I'M THE HEAD OF THE BRUGAN HOUSEHOLD.
THIS IS—
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO GET RID OF THIEVES,
THEN IS IT NOT BETTER TO USE YOUR OWN PRIVATE SOLDIERS?
WHY ARE WE...
THERE'S A REASON I CAN'T DO THAT
WHICH IS?
IT'S THIS
Reveal
THREE DAYS AGO I WAS ASSAULTED BY THIEVES
AND THEY STOLE THE RING FROM ME
I HAVE MANY ENEMIES AND IF THIS WERE TO GET OUT,
MY POSITION AS HEAD OF THE FAMILY WOULD BE IN DANGER.

ARE YOU WILLING TO ACCEPT?
GET RID OF THE THIEVES, RETURN THE RING TO ME, AND KEEP IT A SECRET 'TIL THE VERY END
I WANT YOU TO
YOU TWO ARE FROM THE OUTSIDE AND HIS HIGHNESS TRUSTS YOU DEEPLY
SO, I CAN'T USE MY OWN PEOPLE
He's testing us
Seriously
How could we possibly deny a duke's request?
I SEE...
HAVE YOU ASCERTAINED THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE THIEVES?
YES, PLEASE COME THIS WAY
I UNDERSTAND
WE ACCEPT!

SWISH
I WAS AT THE FOOT OF THE MOUNTAIN WHEN I WAS ROBBED
IT'S LIKELY THAT THE THIEVES ARE HEADQUARTERED SOMEWHERE IN THE HILLS
WAIT
WAIT A SECOND.
DOESN'T THAT MAKE THEM BANDITS!?
THAT MOUNTAINTOP IS PART OF THE BRUGAN PROPERTY.
AND USUALLY NO ONE ENTERS
WHAT ABOUT IT?
AREN'T THIEVES AND BANDITS THE SAME?
CAN IT BE, THAT THE ROYAL GUARD HIS HIGHNESS HAS SO MUCH PRIDE IN, CAN CATCH THIEVES BUT NOT BANDITS?
HARSH
NO,
IT'S NOT THAT.
TWITCH
He's just as sarcastic as His Highness said

Draw
DON'T WORRY
Huh?
WE ARE UNFAMILIAR WITH THE MOUNTAINS
WE CANNOT MAKE A MOVE WITHOUT SOMEONE WHO KNOWS THEM WELL
I KNOW THEM WELL
Wha...
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING!?
IT'S DANGEROUS!
I DON'T REALLY MIND
Ha
I'LL HAVE TWO SUPERIOR MEMBERS OF THE ROYAL GUARD BESIDE ME YOU KNOW

This person...!
It'd be shameful if you refused to go with me.
But, if you agree, then you'll be forced to...
Take responsibility for my safety.
...So, I wonder if you will refuse, because of me saying that...
I UNDERSTAND.
What?
WE WILL TAKE RESPONSIBILITY, AND PROTECT YOU, DUKE
SO, IS EVERYTHING DECIDED?

What are his intentions?
Instead of going with me and being made responsible for my safety
Isn't it better to be shamed?
TAP
AL-RIGHT
Does that self-confidence
LET'S GET GOING
come from his position and one favored by His Highness, I wonder?
SERI-OUSLY.
I'M SORRY FOR MAKING YOU RE-SPONSIBLE FOR HIM AS WELL
Haa
An un-yielding
self-confident gaze
THERE'S NO HELP-ING IT!
WHEN THE TIME COMES, LET'S WATCH OUT FOR HIM TOGETHER.
OKAY?

Rustle
OKAY
chuckle
Rustle
Rustle
Rustle
EMILE,
WE DIDN'T COME HERE TO PLAY AROUND
Don't be so care-free
Hehheh sorry ♥
.....
ALL THIS GREEN IS BEAUTIFUL, ISN'T IT?

U...
UM... DUKE BRUCAN.
IS THERE ANYTHING THEY STOLE BESIDES THE RING?
THIS IS A LIST OF WHAT WAS STOLEN.
AH... THANK YOU.
...HE HAD THIS SORT OF THIS?
LET'S SEE...
U-UM. DUKE?
WHAT?
THIS LIST SAYS THAT THEY STOLE A PISTOL
AH! NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT, THAT WAS STOLEN TOO.
I just remem-
GLANCE

DUKE, PLEASE RETURN IMMEDIATELY!
IM-MEDI-ATE-LY!
NU-UH.
He... He's lying!!
You can tell he already knew!
NOT LEAVING.
Is he a kid!?
Hmph!
So the bad die boy I Guard is.
OR DID YOU LOSE YOUR NERVE AFTER HEARING THAT THEY HAVE A GUN?
DIDN'T YOU SAY...
THAT YOU'D TAKE RESPONSIBILITY AND PROTECT ME?

rustle
rustle
rustle
rustle
THAT'S OBVIOUS!
THE LEVEL OF DANGER IS COMPLETELY DIFFERENT WHEN THEY HAVE A GUN, AS OPPOSED TO WHEN THEY DON'T!
It's got nothing to do with me.
nothing to do with you?
WHAT WILL WE DO IF SOMETHING HAPPENS TO YOU, DUKE!?
then you two will just take responsibility!
Duke Brugan!
This won't end with just that happening!
I BEG YOU,
PLEASE DUKE, TURN BACK!
.....
slap
!?
GRR
INSTEAD OF WORRYING ABOUT OTHERS WHY DON'T YOU WORRY ABOUT YOURSELF FIRST!?
In this empire

That's not necessary to be in the Royal Guard.
CAN YOU REALLY FIGHT WITH THESE FRAIL ARMS?
CAN THEY CATCH THIEVES?
JUST HAVING GOOD LOOKS DOESN'T QUALIFY YOU TO BE CAPTAIN OF THE ROYAL GUARD.
!
THE CAPTAIN IS INCREDIBLY STRONG.
Duke...?
IT'S ALL RIGHT.
EM...
EMILE...
Sp, please hurry up and let go of his hand

IF YOU DON'T WANT ME TO DIE,
USE EVERY LAST BIT OF YOUR STRENGTH TO PROTECT ME, ALRIGHT?
AH.
DLIKE!
...WELL, ANYWAY. I HAVE NO INTENTION OF GOING BACK.
release
AH.
...this guy is probably even harder to deal with than His Highness
SHOCKED
The sword marks on the trees
BRO-THER
YEAH

BANG
THIS AREA IS THE THIEVES...
DUKE!
PLEASE WAIT A MOMENT!
!
AHH!
A WOMAN SCREAMED TOO.
A GUNSHOT!?

LAUGH
DON'T EVEN THINK ABOUT SOMETHING LIKE ESCAPING
YOU JUST HAVE TO BE WELL BEHAVED AND WE WON'T KILL YOU
...ALL IN ALL, THERE ARE TWELVE THIEVES?
THOSE GIRLS WERE PROBABLY SNATCHED FROM THE FOOT OF THE MOUNTAIN.
IF THE THIEVES USE THEM AS HOSTAGES, THAT'LL BE A HEADACHE.
YEAH
IF WE DON'T DO SOMETHING...
...ARE YOU PLANNING ON SAVING THEM?

NATURALLY
Just now when they found out about the gun they were completely anxious
THE QUESTION IS HOW ARE WE'RE GOING TO SAVE THEM..
EXACTLY
EMILE...
Come here...
?
WHAT IS IT?
Beckon
.....

WHISPER
1
I UNDERSTAND
WE'LL DO IT LIKE THAT
OKAY!
ALRIGHT, LET'S MOVE
DUKE PLEASE COME WITH US
AH OK
THIS'LL WORK...
toss

!?
WHAT!?
WHAT WAS THAT SOUND JUST NOW...
HEY!
I'M GOING TO GO CHECK IT OUT, SO YOU GUYS WATCH THOSE TWO
GOT IT
RUSH
SURPRISE
Jhahh..
!?

WHO THE HELL ARE YOU?
HEY...
TURN
HEY, YOU...
WHAT ARE YOU DOING OVER THERE?
COME OVER HERE FOR A SEC
A WOMAN?
?

WHOOSH!
GWH!
WHAT THE FUCK ARE YOU...
SLAM
SFX: QUICK
OKAY, IF YOU GO STRAIGHT, YOU'LL REACH THE FOOT OF THE MOUNTAIN,
SO HURRY UP AND GET OUT OF HERE.
THANK... THANK YOU SO MUCH.
YES!
IS THIS THE RIGHT WAY?
Ah!!
!

And that guy is carrying a pistol
Worse than only having only two people we need to protect the Duke
Damn
What re we going to do?
There are ten opponents
what the hell
You bas--tards!?
Glance
If we fight them properly we have no chance of winning
YOU GUYS LET THE GIRLS GO!
WE'RE GONNA FUCKING KILL YOU!
Scowl
Damn...
THEY CAME BACK ALREADY?

THROW
Kick
Catch
Smack
WAH!
Bastard!
RUSH

EMILE, BE CARE-FUL!
YES!
DUKE, PLEASE STAY BACK!
CLANG
KICK
Smack

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SFX: PUNCH
DAMN...
.....

rustle
There it is!
That's the Duke's ring!!
FOUR PEOPLE LEFT?
I'M TIRED, AS IS TO BE EXPECTED.
SPARKLE
HM?
CLICK
Forgive these guys!
I won't...
I thought the Royal Guard was just for show, but...
Was I wrong?

SFX: CLASH
STEP
Duke Brugan!
Broth-er!!
Knock
BROTH-ER!
EMILE!?

Mm
You
Surprise
THUD
SMP
HUH?
Bunch of damn fools ....!!

You dared to hurt somebody's younger brother!!?
SFX: RUMBLE
His personality had completely changed
That's my brother's most alluring trait! ♡
RUNNING OUT IN FRONT OF A GUN...!
YOU COULD HAVE DIED!
Filmch
Ah...
DUKE BRUGAN
?
I'm Sha Sharry
REALLY!

MORE IMPORTANTLY, DUKE,
YOU REALLY GOT THE RING BACK
THANK YOU
The ring
AH...
DROP
Please do not come to a dangerous place like this again!
If something happens to you,
we cannot take responsibility for it!
seriously
YOU ARE JUST LIKE HIS HIGHNESS,
NEVER THINKING ABOUT YOUR OWN POSITION...
Ha!
He he heh...
...HUH?
I SURRENDER TO YOU
He
THAT YOU WOULD ACTUALLY RAISE YOUR VOICE TO ME...
I LIKE IT

BUT,
IF YOU TWO ARE IN CHARGE, I CAN TRUST THE ROYAL GUARD
TRUTHFULLY,
I ALWAYS BELIEVED THE ROYAL GUARD WAS NOTHING BUT A FLASHY GROUP FOR SHOW.
AND I ALSO THOUGHT THAT THERE WAS NO WAY... THAT SUCH PEOPLE COULD PROTECT HIS HIGHNESS
...I BELIEVED THIS KINGDOM DIDN'T NEED A ROYAL GUARD.
Duke, hearing what His Highness said, we thought it was your hobby to bully other people for pleasure
no, that's completely true.
HUH!?
Hahaha
No way! Knock it off!

SILENCE...
I understand why he doesn't get it.
But somehow it seems like he doesn't get it.
that's just how I (try to) show him I think he's cute.
Point of view
Bullying is an expression of love ♥

In this way...
seems like you might be more fun to bully than his highness ♥
keeping their distance
But I actually kind of want to bully them.
Oh but this time I just wanted to mess with you two
Thieves
That was Oscary
The thieves were gotten rid of everyone was safe in the end and it was a wonderful happily ever after But
How should I play with them next? ♪
The two brothers are being enveloped by a dark cloud.
THE STREISSER BROTHERS...

帝国兄弟
This is the story of...
A certain pair of brothers, in a certain kingdom
Knock Knock
EXCUSE US
Open
YOU CALLED FOR US YOUR HIGH-NESS?
Captain of the Royal Guard
Robert Streisser
Vice-captain of the Royal Guard
Emile Streisser
THAT'S RIGHT!
I CALLED I CALLED
I WANT YOU GUYS TO DO SOMETHING FOR ME
The Emperor

IT'S PART TIME WORK AS WAITERS.
HUH?
Part time?

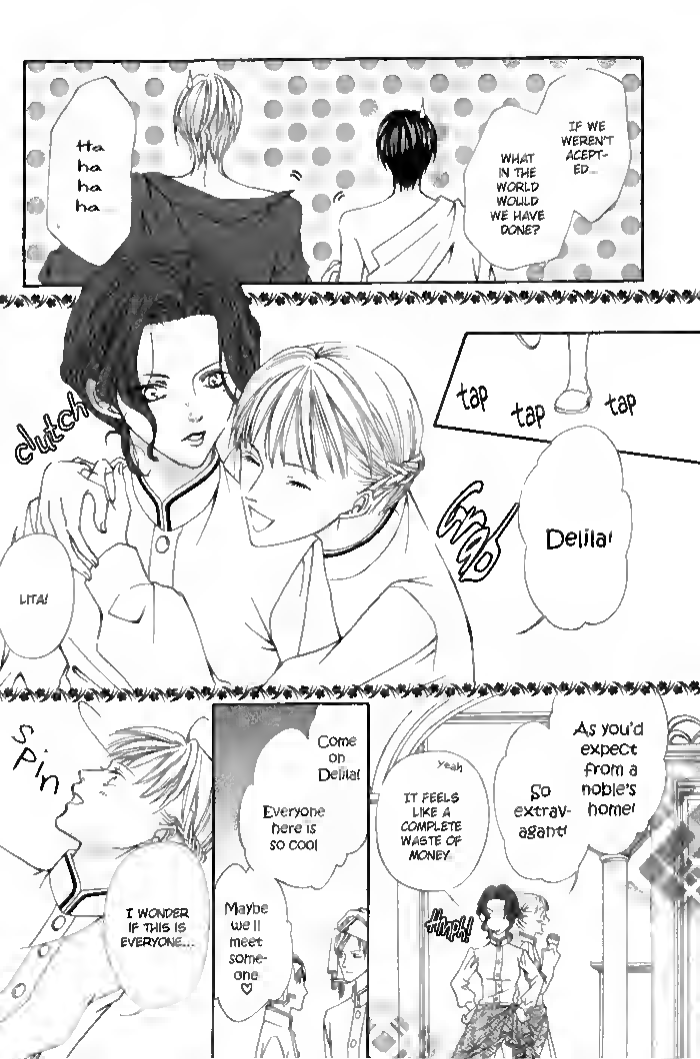
Teikoku Kyoudai
帝国兄弟

Residence of Sir Ian Magness
EX-CUSE ME...
HAS THE RECRUITMENT FOR WAITERS ALREADY ENDED?
WHAT ARE YOUR NAMES?
EMILIO
ROBERTO AND...
FOLLOW ME
YES

PART TIME WORK AS WAITERS
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
TONIGHT THERE'LL BE A DINNER PARTY AT SIR IAN MAGRAESS' MANSION
!!?
YOUR HIGH-NESS!?
Sooth
Sooth
HEY. CLAM DOWN
Glare
How can we possibly calm down?
IT SEEMS THAT ALL THE ANTI-EMPEROR, THIRD-RATE NOBLES ARE GATHERING...
TO DISCUSS HOW THEY SHOULD KNOCK ME OFF.
WELL,
THAT'S WHY I WANT YOU TWO TO GO BE WAITERS AT THE DINNER PARTY.

WE'RE SCOUTS?
IN OTHER WORDS
REGULAR CITIZENS?
WAITERS ARE REALLY REGULAR CITIZENS SO THEY'RE RECRUITING
YEAH!
AFTER THEY FIND OUT SECRETS, IT'S NO PROBLEM TO DISPOSE OF THEM, YOU KNOW?
That's... that's evil.
UNDERSTOOD.
WE'LL GO
Well
We can't just leave them alone

PUT THIS ON
hand
COME IN.
pull
AFTER YOU CHANGE, COME INTO THE ROOM NEXT DOOR
YES
shut
WELL, IT'S LIKE HIS HIGHNESS SAID
—WHAT'S WITH THIS JUST SIMPLY ACCEPTING US?
"If it's you two this'll be a total breeze!"
The vanity of the nobility
"At times like this, they need to hire good looking people"
BUT STILL—

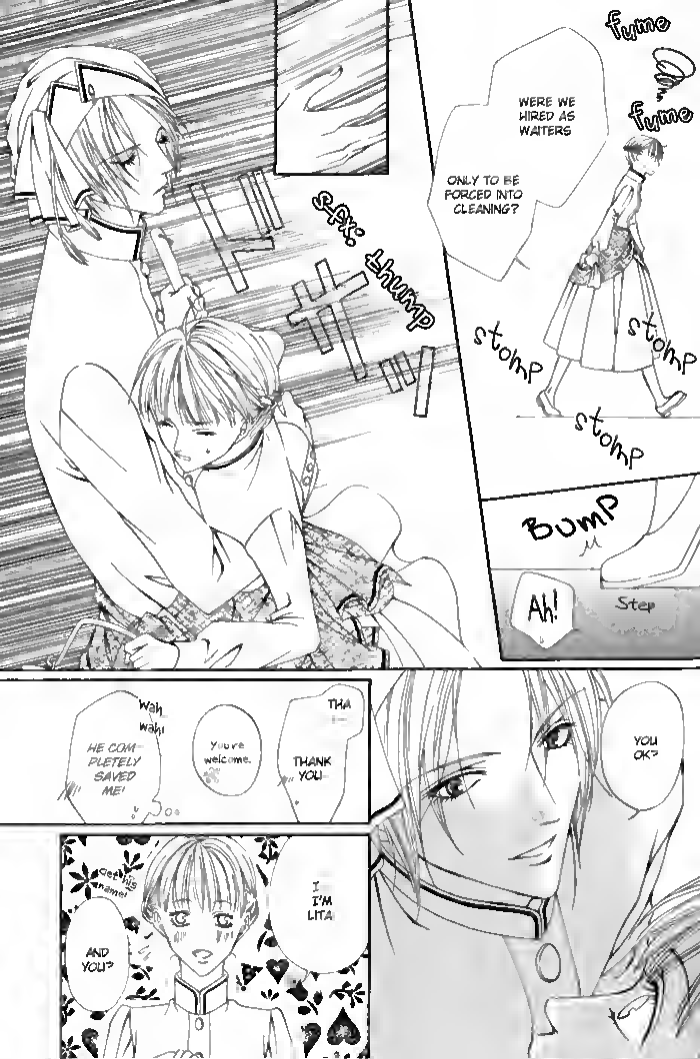

Ha ha ha ha
WHAT IN THE WORLD WOULD WE HAVE DONE?
IF WE WEREN'T ACEPTED...
clutch
LITA!
tap tap tap
Delila!
spin
I WONDER IF THIS IS EVERYONE...
Maybe we'll meet someone ♡
Everyone here is so cool
Come on Delila!
IT FEELS LIKE A COMPLETE WASTE OF MONEY.
Yeah
So extravagant!
As you'd expect from a noble's home!
Ohhh!

NO PROBLEM
AH... I'M SORRY
WOW, WHO ARE THOSE TWO?
whisper
whisper
THEY SEEM LIKE THEY'RE FROM A DIFFERENT WORLD
sfx: whisper
WAH
SUCH GOOD-LOOKING PEOPLE!
YEAH...
so lucky♥
They feel out of place...
It seems like they could find much better work than this...

HO HO
I AM SIR IAN MAGRAESS.
YOUR MASTER.
Nice to meet you
sfx: shock
THE MASTER OF THIS PLACE
SEEMS TO HAVE A TASTE FOR THE FOREIGN
What's with these uniforms?
Heh
IT REALLY SUITS YOU
Is that supposed to be a compliment?
Of course!
EVERY-ONE'S CROWDED AROUND I SEE

GROGK
YOU...
HUH?
stare
stare
stare
Hm.
WHAT HAVE WE HERE?
Have we been found out!?
Back away.
Middle-aged drag queen
DREAD...

You're a knockout, and just my type ♡
shock
stagger
YOUR NAME?
ROB-
ROB-ERTO.
ROBERTO HUH? ♡
Never forget that.
MASTER, IT IS ALMOST TIME
OH MY, IS IT?
THERE ARE TERRIBLY IMPORTANT GUESTS COMING TO THE DINNER PARTY,
SO BE DILIGENT AND DON'T MAKE ANY MISTAKES!
BRO-THER.
YEAH
Terribly important guests...
WHY EXACTLY—


fume
fume
WERE WE HIRED AS WAITERS
ONLY TO BE FORCED INTO CLEANING?
stomp
stomp
stomp
stomp
BUMP
Ah!
Step
SAK
thump
YOU OK?
THA
THANK YOU
Yuu're welcome.
Wah wah!
HE COMPLETELY SAVED ME!
I'M LITA
I
Could I have your name?
AND YOU?

ROBERTO!
EMILIO
Um
EMILIO
Not much to do
DELILA! DELILA!
I GOT TO TALK TO THAT GUY!
YEAH YEAH, THAT'S GREAT.
Hey you knew
HA HA ♡
I'M KIND OF EMBARRASSED
WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
You called my name so directly
Stupid

set
Table settings for five people
Are there four guests?

So right now, even though it's a small number,
There are five traitors...?
sigh...
Somehow they're strange
Those two
They couldn't be here...
To ruin the dinner party, could they?
They'd better not screw around.
Have a peculiar atmosphere...
Is it because they're too good-looking?
...Suspicious
Clench
We'll lose our salaries!
If that happens,

HEY,
THE BIG GUY OVER THERE!
GO TO THE STORAGE ROOM AND GET THE INGREDIENTS!
Me?
WELL,
I'M OFF THEN
OK.
...
HEY.

YOU.
WHAT ARE YOU PLOTTING?
Who's this woman?
PLOT-TING!?
Is she really asking this?
WHY?
WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS?
SALARY?
THAT'S RIGHT
IF YOU GUYS DO SOME-THING,
YOU'LL MAKE US ALL LOSE OUR SALARIES AND CAUSE US TROUBLE!

THE THING THAT SUPPORTS US IN LIFE.
thump
RATHER, IF I COULD FIND A RICH MAN FROM SOMEWHERE TO TAKE ME IN,
I'D BE COMPLETELY SAVED.
!...

...YOU SHOULD GIVE UP ON THAT KIND OF THING...
IF YOU MARRY SOMEONE YOU DON'T LOVE,
IT'LL DEFINITELY BE SOMETHING YOU REGRET
brother

.....
CHIRP
EMILIO
EMILE, NO
BRO-THER.
THERE'S NO ONE AROUND RIGHT NOW.
DID YOU HEAR?
SORRY
NO IT'S FINE

Squeeze
Brother
IT'S NOT A CONVERSATION THAT'LL BE TROUBLE-SOME IF OVERHEARD.
What is it?
?
EMILE...?
BRO-THER,
DO YOU THINK THAT THERE WAS NO LOVE—
BETWEEN YOUR MOTHER AND FATHER?

Ha ha ha!
You're honest.
...
No idea.
Will we never really seen things two together before.
BUT,
BETWEEN ME AND BROTHER,
THERE'S TOTALLY LOVE ♡
blush
YOU
That's beside the point!
You idiot!
We're not husband and wife!
wah~ ♡

I'M SO HAPPY YOU'VE COME
PLEASE ENJOY YOURSELVES
The dinner party's going to start!
Seriously
This isn't the time to be doing this!
hustle
oh that's right!
hustle
The beginning of the dinner party
WELCOME EVERYONE!
Ha ha
glance

In the end
I didn't figure out what their goal in being here is
But the one thing I do know is that there's no reason for them to come here to work as waiters
She's still suspicious of me
Shake
WELL,
IT'S ABOUT TIME TO START TALKING ABOUT THE MAIN TOPIC
YOU SHOULD ALL KNOW THE REASON WHY I HAVE INVITED YOU HERE YES?
IT'S TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO DO AWAY WITH
THAT IRRITATING EMPEROR—
THAT RULES
THIS MASSIVE KINGDOM
AH HA HA

WELL, IF WE'RE BEING ORTHODOX,
WE COULD CERTAINLY HIRE A HIT MAN,
FOR AN ASSAS-SINATION.
HOW DOES THAT SOUND?
SHOCK
Delila.
OH MY. THAT WON'T DO
HIS HIGHNESS HAS THE ROYAL GUARD AT HIS SIDE AROUND THE CLOCK
AND HIS HIGHNESS RARELY GOES OUT.
EVEN BEFORE THIS THERE HAVE BEEN COUNTLESS FAILURES
YOU ARE ABSO-LUTELY RIGHT
SHOCK
What...?
What in the world is this?!

slam
HM,
BURNING AT THE STAKE SOUNDS VERY INTERESTING.
SHALL WE TRY IT OUT?
Haa...
FOR ME BURNING AT THE STAKE IS MORE PLEASING. REALLY
But, with your body.
Your—
Your High—ness!?

whisper
whisper
His High-ness?
His High-ness
Wh-knows
HIS HIGH-NESS?
WHAT'S GOING ON...?
What in the world are you doing!?
Yay!
Your Highness...
WH...
WHY ARE YOU...
HERE, YOUR HIGH-NESS...?
TAP TAP
HMM...? OH, THAT

Because a huge fool somewhere...
Has been planning to kill me.
Ah. Roberto, save me!
Pounce
Wah!
Slugger
Wha
How
Puh!
Huh?
Sfx: Thwack
ばしーん!!

What're you doing mechalamly coming to this sort of place?
later he's a mess!
roar
I wanted to see you guys dressed up as waiters!
It suits you both of you!
This guy...!
both of them!!
control yourself, control yourself
sw
ag
saved
Phew!
Clean-handed
Could you refrain from touching him with your dirty hands?
EM...
EMILIO, YOU TWO ARE ACQUAINTED WITH HIS HIGHNESS THE EMPEROR!?
speechless

YOU TWO!?
WHO... WHO ARE YOU.
CAPTAIN OF THE ROYAL GUARD. ROBERT STREISSER.
Me too.
VICE CAPTAIN OF THE ROYAL GUARD, EMILE STREISSER.
Royal Guard!?

Don't fool around with me
Shake Shake
Wait!
This is the end of me
SLAM
Every-body come out!
That His Highness would find out
dash dash
Kill those men! Move out!
You can't let them
Your Highness
you
Alright,
Come on and kill me then!
Wah ha ha ha

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bam
ki
ck
flip
shock

Thanks for your hard work!
Wow, brilliant, brilliant
wah ♡
Wah...
wah ha ha
You should accept defeat. ♫
—GETTING RIGHT TO THE POINT,
Ah...
NO PRO-BLEM.
YOU WERE A MEMBER OF THE ROYAL GUARD.
I'M VERY SORRY.

faint
I want both
Autograph Paper
Autograph Paper
COULD I HAVE YOU SIGN THESE?
Where'd you pull those out from?
YOUR HIGHNESS,
YOU SAID AT THE START THAT WE'D BE WORKING PART TIME AS WAITERS, RIGHT?
HMM YEAH I SAID THAT
And?
Oh
That's right...
please
Well,
our salaries please.
HUH?
Salaries?
Brother?

knock knock
EXCUSE US YOUR HIGH-NESS
HEY!
And used it to make Delila an attendant to His Highness
IS THERE ANYTHING YOU'RE NOT HAPPY WITH HERE?
After that, Robert took this salary.
THANK YOU
WOULD YOU LIKE SOME TEA?
Bliss

wah ha ha ha
she's the best!
faint
Emile
Robert
I WONDER IF—
YOU COULD RAISE THE SALARY A BIT?
your highness
Oh my, how lucky
As much as you want!
raise it, raise it!
His Highness took quite a liking to Delila
gloom
drag
drag
Never to set foot in the kingdom again
As for the group of captured anti-emperor nobles,
They were stripped of their titles and exiled
And
Robert and Emile's signatures became a coveted item back at the Imperial Court
Robert

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clink
clang
clang
clang
clink
SLAM
This is the story of...
A certain pair of brothers in a certain kingdom

haa
haa
haa
YOU'VE GOTTEN BETTER AGAIN, HAVEN'T YOU, EMILE...
Captain of the Royal Guard, Robert Streisser
BUT WITH YOU, BROTHER, MY CHANCES OF WINNING ARE ONE IN TWO
Vice Captain of the Royal Guard, Emile Streisser

Ha ha ha
Excuse me
They are brothers known all over the empire
IDIOT,
YOU THINK I'LL LOSE TO YOU THAT EASILY?
tap
WELL...
EVEN THOUGH HE'S MY LITTLE BRO-THER...
How should I put it...
Not a secret → at all
Secretly my pride and joy
rustle
And his appear-ance is much more mature than mine
At 16 he's unbe-lievably tall
Those are things I'm incredibly jealous of but they don't give me an inferiority complex.
Emile is

Wah, Robert and Emile
I GUESS THE SWORD CONNECTED HUH?
OH...
I-I'M SO SORRY, BROTHER!
That's because Emile
DON'T LET THIS SCRATCH WORRY YOU
If I lick it it'll be fine
AH!
BRO-THER!
YOUR HAND!
Huh?
Hand?
I actually hurt Brother
Has this personality
Ah, what should I do?
POMC
POMC

pat
But only a few months ago did he start calling me brother
About three years ago
I met my brother Emile who has a different mother
It would have been nice if
We could have been together like this,
As brothers
Since the first time we met
I TOLD YOU NOT TO WORRY ABOUT IT!
IT'S NOTHING
MORE IMPORTANTLY, LET'S GO TO HIS HIGHNESS' ROOM.
AL
AL-RIGHT
That I can do nothing about
I always end up thinking about this sort of thing

A home tutor!?
Why again...
Me!?
Ah...
YEP.
BECAUSE I WAS DEGGED. IT WAS TOUGH.

You
I am not!
Brother
YOUR HIGHNESS...
ARE YOU PLOTTING SOMETHING AGAIN...?
READY TO RUN...
HUH
COULD THIS BE ONE OF THE FOUR GREAT DUKE FAMILIES AGAIN...?
TWO WEEKS AGO, DIDN'T YOU TWO HELP BRUGAN CATCH THIEVES?
IT'S RESPECTABLE WORK THIS TIME
Ding ding ding!
This time it's Duke Gritzvan's family.
ISN'T IT BAD IF WE LISTEN TO BRUGAN'S REQUESTS BUT NOT OTHER PEOPLE'S ?
...Hm? Gritzvan?

HE'S ILL AND IT SEEMS HE WON'T BE AROUND MUCH LONGER
YOUR STUDENT IS THE DUKE'S ELDEST SON
IF I REMEMBER CORRECTLY, ISN'T DUKE GRITZVAN...
YEAH
YOU GRADUATED FROM COMISIONED OFFICERS' SCHOOL AT THE TOP OF YOUR CLASS
should be easy for you right?
The type who can't teach others (They can do everything easily so..)
Top of the class the following year
THAT AND THIS ARE TOTALLY DIFFERENT THINGS
I'VE NEVER REALLY TUTORED ANYONE BEFORE
OH COME ON! IT'S OK TO TEACH HIM WHATEVER YOU FEEL LIKE!
ha ha ha!
That's so?
HOW IRRESPONSIBLE...
I MEAN,
THIS TUTOR THING IS JUST AN OPPORTUNITY
HUH...?
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IN OTHER WORDS, IT'S ABOUT A FIGHT FOR SUCCESSION,
BETWEEN THE FIRST AND SECOND SON
USUALLY IT'S THE FIRST SON WHO FOLLOWS THE FATHER, BUT BECAUSE HE'S SICKLY,
IT SEEMS THAT THERE ARE PEOPLE IN THE GRITZVAN FAMILY WHO SUPPORT THE SECOND SON
THE FACT THAT THE FIRST SON'S BEEN ATTACKED A FEW TIMES PROVES IT.
Courtesy of those pushing the second son
I'M HAVING HIM STAY IN THE PALACE FOR A WHILE, AND I WANT PEOPLE TO PROTECT HIM DURING THAT TIME.
?
WHY DON'T YOU TELL HIM?
BUT I HAVEN'T TOLD HIM THAT I'M SENDING BODY-GUARDS,
SO LOOK AFTER HIM AS HIS TUTORS.
BECAUSE THERE ARE STILL MANY PEOPLE WHO THINK THAT THE ROYAL GUARD IS JUST FOR SHOW.
THEY'LL GET CARE-LESS
Satisfied
When deceiving the enemy it's best to look like you're friends
IF IT'S THAT SORT OF THING...
...BUT...

I punish bad children! ♡
Tough love
HA HA HA...
Picturing you as a tutor is kind of dangerous!
I don't!
Why are you imagining my face!?
WHAT

Your Highness, someday I'm going to switch your rotten brain with one that works properly.
IRRITATED
BROTHER CAN'T TAKE A JOKE..
He was half-serious

Ah...
IT'S HERE.
creak

knock
knock
EXCUSE THE INTRUSION.
He's 13, if I remember correctly.
ARE YOU YOUNG MASTER CILICE?
He's a very beautiful kid.
Looking at him, he seems kind of feeble.
!

!?
NICE TO MEET YOU...
Whoa...!
It's Emile
dash
?
?
Awe-some!
This is the first time I've seen you so close up!
You are so cool!
Huh...?
Ignored
... HUH ...?
glance
Huh!?
NO, YOUR TUTOR ISN'T ME, BUT MY BROTHER.
sparkle
I NEVER IMAGINED THAT MY MOST ADMIRED EMILE WOULD BE TUTORING ME.
sparkle
sparkle
I'M OVER-WHELMED!

So... so direct!
IT'S NOT EMILE?
Completely Dissatisfied Expression.
MADE ME ALL EXCITED FOR NOTHING
Fall
HMPH, HOW BORING
I'VE LOST THE WILL TO STUDY.
Hmph.
MASTER CILICE...
CAN'T YOU PUT UP WITH ME?
GUESS THERE'S NO HELPING IT.
Sigh

BRO-THER...
WELL I'LL BE OVER IN THE NEXT ROOM
okay
THERE'S THE RESULT OF ALL HIS TEACHING UNTIL NOW
dread
I'm worried
I wonder if brother's going to be ok...
That one!
OH!
YEAH, THE ONE TO CHOOSE THE VICE-CAPTAIN
TOURNA-MENT?
HE DEFEATED HIS OPPO-NENT SO EASILY
THE FIRST TIME I SAW HIM WAS IN A TOURNA-MENT
Uh
MASTER CILICE
YOU SEEM TO REALLY LIKE EMILE
YEP!

Stare
ARE YOU TWO REALLY BRO-THERS?
HUH I CAN'T BELIEVE IT
YOU'RE NOT A BIT ALIKE
Huh?
That's because we have different mothers
Ye yes we really are
more or less
So sud den
EMILE LOOKS MUCH MORE MATURE
Ugh
HE ALSO LOOKS STRONGER THAN YOU
You look just like a woman
Woman
SHOCK
I saw every-thing this morning too
Didn't Emile win? Ah how pathetic
Losing to your little br-other don't you feel ashamed?
The things I'm self-conscious about...
IT REALLY FEELS LIKE SOMEONE'S SPREAD-ING SALT ON MY WOUNDS...
Emile right now in the neighboring room
Aah brother I can't believe he's saying that to you.
EAVESDROPPING

collapse
ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
BR...
BROTHER?
rise
THIS MIGHT BE THE MOST EXHAUSTED I'VE EVER BEEN....
I'm not alright.

I hate that person
That he would lose to his younger brother
He's not even a bit like a man
He's just a pretty decoration
Like me...
Hate...
HE WAS SORT OF AN INTENSE KID...
Ha ha ha...
Um.
Yet he just adores you
WHY DOES HE HATE ME SO MUCH?

After that,
Robert pretty much was hung out to dry.
Is this really how a kid acts?
And even I'm sorry I?
So difficult
WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING AT?
?
Hump
1

WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO OUTSIDE?
MM...
THERE'S NO WAY I CAN.
DON'T JUST TALK SO SUDDENLY BEHIND SOMEONE'S BACK!
but, we're still in the middle of a lesson right now
EX... EXCUSE ME
yay!
kids?

I'LL JUST MAKE MYSELF SICK AGAIN
THAT'S WHY MY RELATIVES...
FEEL UNCOMFORTABLE WITH ME TAKING MY DAD'S TITLE.

Im nothing but a decoration
Got worried and came to spy
Quietly
MASTER CILICE,
DO YOU KNOW WHAT THE MOST IMPORTANT QUALIFICATION TO BE A DUKE IS?
Pat
!?

A horrible personality.
Understand?
WHAT?
.....
Be Brother?
His Highness is a great example
IN THAT WAY,
IF YOUR CHARACTER ISN'T A LITTLE TWISTED, YOU'RE NOT QUALIFIED.
IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR A PERSON WITH A GOOD PERSONALITY
RULING OVER SUCH A GREAT EXPANSE OF LAND AND SO MANY PEASANTS
What the heck! So, you're saying I have a bad personality!?
THAT'S IT EXACTLY.
WHAT?
grin
I THINK YOU'LL MAKE A SPLENDID DUKE

Close
That hurts!
punch
punch
punch
switch
turn
Bliss

step
step
step
step
stamp
stamp
stamp
stamp
E-sobbing
Who the hell...
Would listen to anything you say!
I'm going to get some drinks
go don't leave the room!
And when you look at him, he's just like a woman...!
Trying to make me look stupid!
He's the one with a bad personality.
That's a pretty hurtful thing to say...
You shouldn't judge a book by its cover!

Meanwhile Robert...
Empty...
.....
whoosh
I think you'll make a splendid duke.
HMPH!
Ah It's Emile!
step
step
step

grab
!?
EM...
!
BRO-THER?
!
EMILE!
HAVE YOU SEEN MISTER CLIVE!?
HUH?
I HAVEN'T...

WHAT IS IT...?
Ah!
Seriously his life's in danger No self-awareness.
HE DISAPPEARED FROM THE ROOM
turn
Ah
grip
I
Im sorry!
blush
It's nothing!
Huh ?

No really its absolutely nothing!
DON'T YOU HAVE SOMETHING YOU WANT TO SAY?
?
I Im fine!
EMILE, ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
HM...
.....
No...
close
Way...
BROTHER AND YOUNG MASTER CILICE REALLY...
SEEM TO HAVE GOTTEN CLOSE
WHAT?
HM...
JUST THAT
IT'S

Ha!
Pl...
PLEASE DON'T LAUGH!
Brother you're mean
yes
blush
EMILE, ARE YOU POSSIBLY
Jealous?
I...
I KNOW I'M BEING PATHETIC...
Actually being jealous of a kid
He he he he.
Sorry...
First time seeing smile like this
Bre-ther
THIS GUY IS SO CUTE!
I'm going to cry seriously
YOUNG MASTER CILICE, HE'S 13, RIGHT?
Uh...
YES

I WONDER IF IT'S BECAUSE YOU WERE THE SAME AGE WHEN WE FIRST MET
SOMEHOW, I CAN'T LEAVE HIM ALONE
brother...
There are two royal guards, but...
Hmph... the Royal guard.
They are just around for show.
ugh...
ugh...
UGH
Hey! You two, I'm over here!
!

Who's there!?
Sigh
step
Master Alice!
CLACK
PUT YOUR SWORDS ON THE GROUND.
HURRY!

kick
swish
DON'T MOVE
Ugh!
str dash
!?
whish
duck

thump
ARE YOU ALRIGHT?
EMILE!
WAH!
shock
punch

A...
AWE-SOME..
HE
HE'S ACTUALLY THAT STRONG...
Ha ha.
thump
WHAT BROTHER PRIDES HIMSELF ON MOST...
Not just for show.
An experienced veteran.
IS HAND-TO-HAND COMBAT NOT SWORD FIGHTING!
So cool!
thump
thump
MASTER CILICE
ARE YOU HURT?
No- I'm not.
DASH

MASTER ALICE
DO YOU KNOW THESE PEOPLE?
I DO
THEY'RE MY YOUNGER BROTHER'S ATTENDANTS
I SEE
I'M SORRY I SAID SO MANY TERRIBLE THINGS TO YOU!
I DIDN'T KNOW YOU WERE SO STRONG.
I REALLY ADMIRE STRONG PEOPLE.
UM.
smile

IT'S FINE, MASTER CLICE.
PLEASE DON'T LET IT BOTHER YOU.
From now on I'll work hard and make my personality even worse!
I'll become a duke with a magnificently twisted character!
That's what I'll do!
YEAH!
MORE IMPORTANTLY, WITH THIS THE POSITION OF DUKE WILL BE YOURS.
PLEASE WORK HARD.

Like this, the youngest duke in the kingdom's history came to power.

A number of weeks later, Clice safely took his title

After ward

The captured kidnappers became evidence and the second son lost his position

Bliss
All Bliss characters belong to their respective authors.

And then
Wah!
Big brothers!
sfx: shock
ドッキーン!!
.....
dash
Robert and Emile...
Seem to have gained an adorable little brother
Please give us a break...
Waiit!
Ah...
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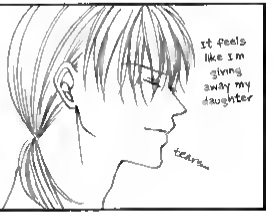
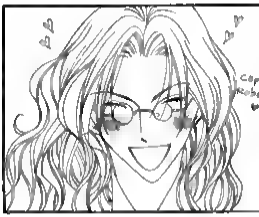
Volume 1 Cast of Characters

Tajo Verjee. 16 years old. Born into nobility. Came to warship Robert by some stroke of luck. One of my friends really likes him. This lousy person is as tall as Emile. He looks mature but he has a very childish personality. Anyway, from the start he was designed to be Emile's opponent for the vice captain position. But now they've just became some sort of rivals.

Walter Brandt. Chief of the Brigade. Has disliked Robret and Emile from the beginning, but then abandoned this mean out look(?) He's taller than Emile. Hates rich people. He's actually not that bad but ever since meeting Robert and Emile (!?) he seems to keep Robert at arm's length (afraid). A really pitiful guy!

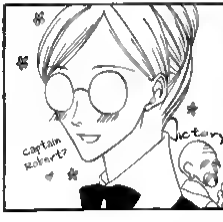
Henri Valeta. 20 years old. Originally attending Commissioned Officers School but left suddenly at 17 to wander. When still in school he lived in the same dormitory as Robert. One of the few close friends of Robert during his school years. Treats Robert like he's his own brother (?) Mistakenly believed Robert cut his hair. He's actually a good brother, one of the few normal people in the empire. And a character I like.



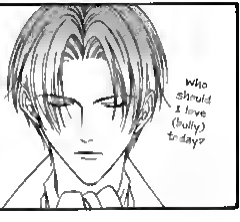


Michel Convert. From Canvarte. Self-proclaimed genius artist. Has unusual enthusiasm for black hair. He has zero resistance against black colored hair regardless if it's human or a thing. In the empire where freaks run rampant he isn't considered abnormal so I considered this weird character. Readers have criticized this person but I don't really mind his attitude (useless!) After all, he was designed to bring up Robert's trauma about his self appearance. Now that his duty is complete he probably won't appear anymore.

Volume 2 Cast of Characters



Carula Rauman. A girl with a crush on Robert. Works in the library archives with her grandfather the archives manager. Several years ago this young lady saw Robert in the archives and fell in love at first sight with him. 3 years 2 months and 17 days later the two of them met again. She is introverted and kind but very clumsy and often botches things up. This silly girl who is so slow that she might eventually kill the guy she likes, is around the same age as Robert (not decided yet). I personally really like drawing the grandfather Rauman-sense.



Alfred Brugan Head of one of the four most powerful Duke families whose power is second only to the emperor. Currently 27 years old. A sadist who loves picking on others. Precisely because of this his beloved emperor really hates him but he doesn't mind. I originally wanted to draw him as a cool and composed adult but he ended up being a cold blooded weirdo. Probably the hardest person to deal with in the whole empire (even the emperor fears him).

Delia. Maybe because she led too harsh a life she'll do anything for money. With the help of Robert she became a maid for his highness and her life took a turn for the better. This ice beauty feels similar to the sadistic duke. Could it be they're related? (Yeah right) She's clever to the point of framing Robert and Emile's signatures and auctioning them off. About the same age as his highness.

Head of one of the four most powerful duke families and also the youngest duke in the history of the empire. 13 years old. Due to his weak constitution he worships strong warriors. A fan of Emile but after seeing Robert's abilities also worships Robert. Same on the in and outside he puts his total confidence in those he trusts. Truly believes that the first requirement to being a good duke is to be sadistic (Robert's fault) so he's training very hard. As most characters that appear are usually older than the Stresser brothers. I specially planned for this boy to appear in this volume.

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↓ I don't know when Duke Brugen and his highness will ever work together so I've drawn it out. Maybe it was because of this that his highness hates the duke so much?

"It's a good remedy at times!" (by Robert)

His highness and Duke Brugen in the middle of work.
Leave! Leave!
You extreme sadist!
I don't want to see you again!
Robert is way better than you
Excited
Excited
Your highness, this signature is too messy! Please resign.
The ← kitten's claws

Emile around 15. Still attending Commissioned Officers School at the time but was already very tall. Around

His hair was a bit longer back then.

Other than that he isn't that different

I have O type leg. I've got humans curled toenails flat footedness and club feet so with all of those four problems. My ankle hurts a lot lately for some reason. What's more it started hurting out of nowhere I didn't get it treated for 2 months. With my ankle like this what other problems will I get now? (Who can tell me!)

This is the last page. Feels like we're just trying to get more pages. Sorry. Here let me thank all the readers who sent letters, emails, and postcards to me and those who supported this manga. I will definitely respond, just that it might be slow, so you definitely have to write a return address! If you have any questions or comments, please write me.

Then see you next time ✝

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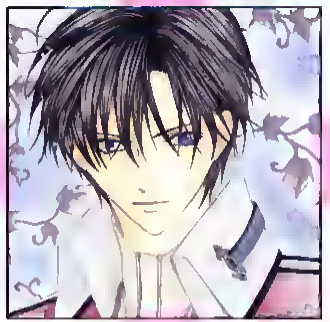

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